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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Application No. : 10/630,078      Confirmation No.: 9318**  
**Applicant(s) : Donald E. Weder, Joseph G. Straeter and Paul Fantz**  
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**Title : SLEEVE WITH CONCAVE LOWER END**

**Docket No. : 8403.943**  
**Customer No. : 30589**

**Mail Stop Fee Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 6, 2004.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.